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SUBJECT: COMPUTER CONTROL MANUALS FOR THE SOVIET UNION

1. THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN APPROACHED BY PROFESSOR CHARLES ENZ OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THEORETICAL PHYSICS, UNIVERSITY OF GENEVA, ON AN EXPORT CONTROL PROBLEM. PROF. ENZ HAS BEEN ASKED BY A SOVIET COLLEAGUE TO OBTAIN A SERIES OF HEWLETT-PACKARD COMPUTER OPERATING AND SERVICING MANUALS. THESE INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING, ALL OF WHICH PROF. ENZ HAS ALREADY OBTAINED FROM HEWLETT-PACKARD AG, ZURICH, AS PUBLISHED IN THE UNITED STATES: A. 21MX COMPUTER SERIES OPERATOR MANUAL, B. 21MX INSTALLATION AND SERVICE MANUAL, C. 21MX OPERATING AND REFERENCE MANUAL, D. 21MX LONG DIAGNOSTIC MANUAL.

2. SINCE PROF. ENZ IS NOT AWARE WHETHER THESE MANUALS ARE CONTROLLED BY US EXPORT REGULATIONS, HE HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY ADVICE BEFORE PASSING THEM ON TO HIS COLLEAGUE IN THE SOVIET UNION. PROF. ENZ IS DUE TO DEPART FOR THE USSR ON INVITATION OF THE SOVIET ACADEMY OF SCIENCES ON OCTOBER 30, 1975.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: BY OCTOBER 20, A DETERMINATION AS TO WHETHER THE MANUALS CAN BE GIVEN TO THE SOVIETS. ODELL

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